

REMARKS

This application contains claims 1-41, the status of which is as follows:

- (a) Claims 1-25 are as originally filed.
- (b) Claim 26 has been currently amended to remove multiple dependencies.
- (b) Claims 27-41 are new.

No new matter has been added.

Claims 27-30 have been added to provide claims parallel to claim 26 for a portion of the multiple dependencies removed therefrom. Claims 31-34 have been added to provide claims parallel to claim 25, with differing dependencies. Claims 35-39 are similar to claims 25 and 31-34.

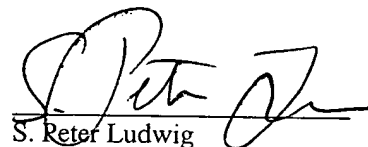
Claims 40 and 41 are supported in the specification as follows:

In the embodiment of Fig. 17, it is possible to use carrier 122 as a guide member or wire for a catheter-like procedure (as similarly used in angioplasty procedures), wherein an instrument may be introduced in or over carrier 122. For example, an outer catheter 129 may be slipped over carrier 122. An instrument 127 may be introduced over carrier 122, on either side of percussion device 124, and may be pushed distally by any suitable means. As similarly described hereinabove with instrument 84, the instrument 127 that may be introduced in or over carrier 122 may comprise, without limitation, a torus-shaped camera (CCD) or other imaging device (e.g., x-ray imaging device), illumination device, biopsy collecting tool, optical device, fluid device, etc (page 11, first paragraph).

Notice of allowance of the present application is respectfully requested.

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